STAFFORD COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

Agenda Consideration

TOPIC: Approval for Proclamation

Designating April 2004 as School Library Media Month ITEM NO: 8D

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PREPARED BY: Andrea Bengier, Assistant Superintendent

Instruction and Technology

MEETING: March 23, 2004

ACTION DATE: March 23, 2004

Peter J. Vernimb, Executive Director Instructional Services

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ACTION REQUESTED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT: That the School Board approve the attached proclamation designating April 2004 as School Library Media Month.

KEY POINTS: Our school libraries will be celebrating School Library Media Month in many different ways. The following are some of the activities that will be held across the county:

- Libraries will host various parties for students (i.e. pizza, ice cream, etc.)
- Give away bookmarks
- Host Book Fairs
- Display banners to advertise
- Host Virginia Young Readers Program
- Middle school honor society members visiting elementary schools to read to in the kindergarten classrooms
- Book talks given by:
 - Public librarians
 - Students over morning announcements
- Daily trivia questions: Stump the librarian games
- Teacher's baby picture on display with prize for guessing the most correct
- Scottish music group to share stories and history
- · Random drawings for prizes and drawing based on books checked out

SCHOOL BOARD GOALS:

GOAL 1: Provide educational excellence through instruction that establishes high expectations for all students yet recognizes the unique needs of each learner.

GOAL 3: Encourage parents and the community to increase their interest and involvement in schools.

GOAL 6: Introduce programs to enhance employee status, within the school district and the community at large, so that employees are aware of their value to school and community.

FUNDING SOURCE: AUTHORIZATION REFERENCE:



PROCLAMATION

A proclamation to designate April 2004 as School Library Media Month

WHEREAS, Governor Warner has recognized April 2004 as SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA MONTH in the Commonwealth of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the mission of our school libraries is to promote media literacy, information access and evaluation, reading for learning and reading for pleasure, lifelong learning, to support and strengthen the curriculum, and to partner with classroom teachers to help every child succeed; and

WHEREAS, our school libraries serve every student and faculty member in our schools as well as parents from our school communities; and

WHEREAS, the school library media program is the heart of the school learning community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Stafford County School Board on this 23rd day of March, 2004, that April 2004 be proclaimed SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA MONTH in Stafford County Public Schools.

Chairman
Clerk